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GET OUT AND VOTE FALL ELECTIONS

The 2006 elections include federal, state, county and judicial offices. The **Primary Election** will be held Tuesday, September 12, and the General Election will be held Tuesday, November 7. Look for details in the August Briefing. For more information, visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Election, or call 952-563-8729.



UNWANTED **GUESTS GYPSY MOTHS**

GYPSY MOTHS, A destructive, non-native,

invasive forest insect, defoliate an estimated 880,000 acres of trees each year nationwide. In Minnesota, gypsy moths are primarily located along Lake Superior. Gypsy moths deposit their eggs on outdoor objects including firewood, car wheel wells, campers, boats and grills. Inspect vehicles and camping gear for tan egg masses, remove and discard any you find and call the Arrest the Pest Hotline at 651-201-MOTH. For more information, visit the Minnesota Department of Agriculture at www.mda.state.mn.us, keywords: Gypsy moths.

RELAY FOR LIFE **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**

Join in fundraising efforts to eliminate cancer at this free family event Friday - Saturday, August 4 - 5, at Lincoln Stadium, 8900 Queen Ave. S. For more information, call Marguerite Adelmann at 952-884-1578.

CONSERVATION IN BLOOMINGTON LAND COVER INVENTORY

The City and Hennepin County **Department of Environmental Services** will gather information on land cover, such as maple-basswood forest, oaksavannah and cattail marsh, throughout Bloomington over the next two years. A consultant will collect data for long-term planning and conservation use and may walk through properties. No plants will be removed or disturbed. For more information, call 952-563-4633 or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Land cover.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON BRIEFING, JUNE 2006

INFORMATION ON TAP

EDUCATION KEEPS DRINKING WATER SAFE

Throughout the year, Bloomington's Water Ouality Supervisor Jon Eaton provides educational opportunities to future generations who will work with public water supplies.

University of Minnesota and Normandale Community College engineering students want to know about the mechanics and engineering behind producing safe water and transporting it to homes and businesses. Water environmental technology students from St. Cloud Technical College learn the complex processes of water treatment and distribution that ensure safe, uncontaminated water is available to users.

"Nursing students visit to learn about water from a public health perspective," Eaton said. "People with immuno-compromised systems, as a result of chemotherapy, HIV/AIDS or organ transplants, may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water and often seek advice from their health care providers."

For more information, see the Water Quality Report insert inside.



CREATING CURB APPEAL QUALITY HOUSING REVITALIZES OUR COMMUNITY

Bloomington is adding new housing at a rate comparable to fast-growing suburbs. More than 1,000 housing units are on the drawing board over the next few years. These projects demonstrate the high demand for quality housing at all price levels. For information, call 952-563-8920 or visit the City's Web site at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Development directory.

OLD SHAKOPEE RD



Lane Mobile Home Park, 8735 Portland Ave. S., into 216 condominium units in four, four-story buildings. Construction of the first building is planned for late summer.



Village at 9 Mile Creek townhomes

VILLAGE ON 9 MILE CREEK ted at Penn Avenue and Old Shakopee Road, the Village at 9 Mile Creek is scheduled to begin its second phase development of 38 townhomes on the former City Hall site this fall. The project's first phase of 64 condominiums and 16 townhomes was completed in 2005.

KENNEDY COURT

Thirteen two-story townhomes will be constructed in three phases on the northeast corner of East Old Shakopee Road and Third Avenue. Two, four-unit structures feature a "new urban design" in which homes are built closer to the sidewalk. The first phase, a four-unit townhome complex along East 98th Street, has been completed.



Construction begins on the threestory Meadows at Oxboro, located at 95th Street and and Garfield Avenue, this summer. Fifty units of accessible and affordable one-bedroom units for seniors will replace a nursing home. The development includes an exercise room, solarium, porch and garden. It is

scheduled to be completed 2007.



Bloomington Central Station next phase.

E BLOOMINGTON CENTRAL STATION

McGough is gearing up for Bloomington Central Station's next phase, a 150-unit condominium and townhome complex with underground parking. The first phase of 270 residential units will be completed this summer. Bloomington Central Station, located along the light rail transit line, will be built in five phases over 12 years.



Meadows at Oxboro - Fully accessible and affordable units for seniors.

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ALL THE NEWS YOU CAN USE

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING ON AIRPORT NOISE **RUNWAY 17-35 OPEN HOUSE AT CIVIC PLAZA**

THE METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS Commission (MAC) and City of Bloomington are sponsoring an open house on airport noise on Tuesday, June 20, 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road.

MAC staff will provide residents with updates on the Noise Oversight Committee and its activities, briefings on operational levels and procedures around the airport, and the opportunity to provide comments, ask questions and voice concerns about



airport noise issues related to the new Runway 17/35.

For information, visit MAC's airport noise Web site at www.macnoise.com, or call MAC at 612-726-8141 or Larry Lee, City of Bloomington, at 952-563-8947.

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NEW COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICTS AREAS IDENTIFIED

The City Council has initiated creation of new neighborhood and freeway commercial zoning districts and standards. Areas were identified for rezoning in conjunction with the adoption of these districts. Related ordinance provisions create citywide standards for sidewalks, drivethrough facilities, motor vehicle sales facilities and residential uses in commercial zoning districts.

For more information, contact Planning and Economic Development at 952-563-8920, e-mail planning@ci.bloomington.mn.us or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keywords: Commercial zoning.

SAFETY TIPS TO PREVENT INJURY AND DISEASE **DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR NEEDLES AND SYRINGES**

It is important to safely dispose of needles and syringes (sharps) to prevent injury and disease transmission. Never place used needles or syringes in a recycling bin or loose sharps in the garbage. Instead, choose one of these disposal options:

Purchase a commercial sharps disposal container from a pharmacy or

> your licensed trash hauler.

 Call your healthcare provider to find out which clinics and hospitals have collection programs.

Use a needle destruction device.

It is legal to put syringes in your trash container; however, it is less safe. If you choose this disposal option, put DO NOT RECYCL used sharps in a liquid detergent bottle, secure the lid tightly and place the

bottle in the trash container. For more information, call Jean

Buckley at 952-563-8751 or visit the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance at www.moea.state.mn.us, keyword: Sharps.

BLOOMINGTON'S FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

TIME WARNER YOUTH SERVICE AWARD **BLOOMINGTON YOUTH HONORED**



Kennedy High School student Yahya Chaudhary was honored with the Time Warner Youth Service Award in May. He was nominated for his work: Peer Tutoring; Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity; Ignite Mentor; Feed My Starving Children; Domestic Abuse Shelter Repair; library volunteer; Hurricane Katrina Relief Drive; Freshman Retreat leader; Amnesty International; United Way Cross Cultural Dialogue and Project Santa. Chaudhary received a \$1000 savings bond in addition to a \$500 award that he donated to the Bloomington Human Rights Commission.

Chaudhary is the second Bloomington youth to receive the award. Jessica Billings, Human Rights Commission youth member, received the award in 2004.

FESTIVAL FOODS COMING TO 98TH AND LYNDALE MARKET FEATURES SCANDINAVIAN BAKERY AND CAFE



Knowlan's Super Markets, Inc. announced plans to open a Festival Foods grocery market in Bloomington this fall. Festival Foods will be located at 401 W. 98th St., the site of a former Byerly's grocery store. The 47,000 squarefoot grocery store will feature a Taste of Scandinavia Bakery and Café, offering European and Scandinavian pastries, cakes, breads and cookies, as well as full meals and gourmet coffee. A complete renovation of the store is

planned. For more information, visit

www.festivalfoods.net.

TOGETHER WE STAND PARENTS: YOU'RE DOING **GREAT AND SO ARE YOUR KIDS**



Most Bloomington 9th graders, 82 percent, reported that they usually feel good about themselves.* So parents, keep it up. You're doing great and so are your kids.

Talk to your kids about avoiding drugs. They're listening. For more information, call Bloomington Public Health at 952-563-8900 or visit www.tricitypartners.org.

TOGETHER WE STAND, PROMOTING **HEALTHY YOUTH AND COMMUNITIES.**



*2004 Minnesota Student Survey

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CENTER FOR THE ARTS

LOCATED IN BLOOMINGTON CIVIC PLAZA AT THE CORNER OF WEST 98TH STREET AND Old Shakopee Road, the Center for the Arts is a first-class facility housing eight arts organizations. For facility information, call 952-563-8889. For exhibit information and events, call 952-563-8567 or visit the City's Web site, www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Calendar.

EXHIBITIONS

ATRIUM GALLERY

My Kitchen, featuring the sculptures of Jill Eckhoff-King, runs June 8 - July 21. Opening reception is Saturday, June 10, 6 - 8 p.m.

Northern View, featuring artist Rita Beyer Corrigan, runs July 27 -September 1. Opening reception is Friday, July 27, 6 - 8 p.m.



"Rocket Powered Sled" by Ky Michaelson

GALLERY HOURS

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

INEZ GREENBERG GALLERY

Members' Juried Art Exhibition runs through June 16.

Doug Lew: A Retrospective, featuring the watercolors of Doug Lew, runs **June 23 - July 28**. Opening reception is Friday, June 23, 6 - 8 p.m.

Rocket Man, featuring artist Ky
Michaelson's rocket-powered
constructions, runs August 4 September 8. Opening reception is
Friday, August 4, 6 - 8 p.m. Lecture and
presentation is Thursday, August 27,
7 - 9 p.m. See photo at left.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Summer Adventure

Ages 6 - 12.

PLAYGROUNDS

Join your friends for games, sports, story time, arts and crafts, carnivals and special events.

When: Weekdays, June 12 - August 11.

(No program, July 3 - 4.)

Where: Brookside, Bryant, Brye, Kelly, Poplar Bridge, Running, Smith, Sunrise and Westwood parks.

Times: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Cost: \$29. Field trips extra.

FIELD TRIPS

CALL PARKS AND RECREATION FOR MORE information.

TEEN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Ages 13 - 15.

LOOKING FOR A FUN WAY TO SPEND THE summer? Volunteer with Parks and Recreation. Learn through our new youth leadership program and then demonstrate your skills through the Summer Adventure Playgrounds, Teen Volunteer, Camp Kota Junior Counselor and Summer Spectrum Teen Volunteer programs. Youth will be selected through an application and interview process. For information or an application, call 952-563-8892.



CAMP KOTA

Ages 7 - 12.

While learning basic camping skills, children will develop an appreciation for the outdoors. Activities include swimming, arts and crafts, active games, field trips, camp craft activities and overnight camp. Bus transportation is provided from 7:45 - 8:20 a.m. and 3:05 - 3:45 p.m., except on Friday mornings. Childcare is available before and after camp for an additional fee.

When: Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Where: Bush Lake Picnic Shelter #3,

9140 E. Bush Lake Road.

Session I July 24 - 28.

Session II July 31 - August 4.

Session III August 7 - 11.

Session IV August 14 - 18.

Cost: \$144 per week.

To register, call Parks and Recreation or download a registration form at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Kota.

SCHNEIDER THEATER

BLOOMINGTON READ'S BOOK BLAST

This program promotes community-wide discussion and interaction. Minnesota author Kate DeCamillo will discuss her book "Because of Winn Dixie" and answer questions on Saturday, July 22, noon.



BLACK BOX THEATER

FOR TICKETS, CALL 952-563-8587 OR VISIT WWW.BLOOMINGTONARTCENTER.COM.

THE GLASS MENAGERIE

Tennessee Williams' haunting memory play will be performed

Thursday - Saturday, 7:30 p.m., June 15 July 1. There will be no performance on
June 24. The June 23 performance is
American Sign Language interpreted.

Tickets are \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/
students, and \$10 adults/groups of 12 or
more on Thursday nights. For tickets,
call 952-563-8587.

FAMILY JAMMIE CONCERT

Bring the kids – in their jammies and with their blankets – for a fun evening of classical bedtime songs by BAC music instructor Claire Campbell-Tokar and her students on **Wednesday**, **July 19, 7:30 p.m.** Tickets are \$5 adults, \$2 children under age 12.

SWIMMING LESSONS

American Red Cross swimming lessons are available at Bloomington Family Aquatic Center, 301 E. 90th St., and Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Road.

When: Session I June 19 - 29.

Session II July 10 - 20.

Session III July 24 - August 3. 10 - 10:50 a.m. Aquatic Center/

Aquatic Center/ Bush Lake Beach.

11 - 11:50 a.m. Aquatic Center only.

6:10 - 7 p.m. Bush Lake Beach only.

Cost: \$45.

Times:

To register: Call Parks and Recreation.



CLASSES

BLOOMINGTON ART CENTER

Art, clay and theater camps are available for youth, age 3-1/2 to grade 12, June 12 - September 1. New this year are fused-glass, flame-worked glass beads and silk-painting camps for youth, grades 7 - 12. Register online at www.bloomingtonartcenter.com or call 952-563-8587.

CONTINENTAL BALLET COMPANY

The Summer Ballet
Intensive, Secrets of Classical
Ballet, featuring Tatiana Berenova, will be offered July 3 - July 28. Students will experience the beauty of classical ballet through serious technical training. For more information, call 952-563-8562.

ADULT SPORTS

PICKLEBALL

PLAY AT HYLAND HILLS TENNIS AND Pickleball Court, 9858 Edgewood Road, on Mondays and Wednesdays, May - October, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Free lessons are available on Mondays, May 15, 22 and 28, and June 5, 12 and 19, at 9 a.m. For more information, call Jim at 952-835-2468 or visit www.ci.bloomington. mn.us, keyword: Pickleball.

Men's and Women's Tennis Leagues

PLAY DOUBLES, SINGLES AND MIXERS from **June - August**. For more information, call Parks and Recreation or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Tennis.

SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The Born Again Jocks Softball
League welcomes all men, age 55 and
older, with all levels of playing ability.
Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays,
8:45 a.m., at Valley View Playfield,
9000 Portland Ave. S. For more
information, call Dick Wortman at
952-888-1814 or Loran Wendt at
952-831-4759, or e-mail Bob Wandberg
at bwandberq@qwest.net.

A FUN-FILLED, LEARNING EVENT SAFETY FESTIVAL AND CREEKSIDE OPEN HOUSE

The 6th Annual Bloomington Safety Festival will be held on **Saturday**, **August 12, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.,** at Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Ave. S. Check out the Police K-9 Unit and Bomb Squad, the MADD Crash Car, and the Fire Department's smoke house and fire truck. Visit Creekside's woodshop, boutique, lapidary, pool room and buyer's club. An animal petting zoo and inflatable jumper will be available for children. For information, call 952-563-4873, 952-563-4957 V/TTY.



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON BRIEFING, JUNE 2006



MONDAY MORNINGS IN THE PARK

FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

PUPPETS, MUSIC
and animals
delight children of
all ages Mondays
at 10:30 a.m. Bring
blankets and chairs
for cozy seating.

SANDCASTLES SPEND A DAY AT THE BEACH

SANDCASTLES' CONTESTS, GAMES AND performances are for the entire family. Win excellent prizes in the sandcastle and sand sculpture event or participate in the worm race and limbo contest. The beach opens at 11 a.m.; registration begins at 1 p.m. Concessions, a bathhouse, picnic tables and grills are available.

Parking is \$4 per vehicle or use your \$25 season pass.

FIESTA DE MÚSICA LATINA

ARE YOU READY TO RUMBA?



Ticket to Brasil

THE SECOND ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF
Latin music and culture, co-sponsored
by the Spanish language television
Univision (WUMN Channel 13),
features music and traditional Latin
foods. Listen to *Ticket to Brasil*, an
eight-piece bossa nova, samba and
Brazilian jazz ensemble, the *Latin Sounds Orchestra*, featuring authentic
hot Afro-Cuban and Afro-Caribbean
beats, and *Banda La Verdadera*,
playing *Mexican Norteña* music.

BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL MINNESOTA'S FINEST

TAKE THE STAGE



JazzMN Big Band

THE BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL features real New Orleans-style jazz with the Jack Brass Band, winners of a 2004 Minnesota Music Award. Perennial favorites Red Wolfe's Ellington Echoes Memorial Band and the Barbary Coast Dixieland Band also perform. JazzMN Big Band, widely regarded as Minnesota's top big band, headlines the festival.

ARTS IN THE PARKS

BLOOMINGTON PARKS COME ALIVE WITH FREE entertainment this summer. Grab a blanket and come enjoy the variety. For more information or in case of inclement weather, call the Parks and Recreation 24-hour information line at 952-563-8878.

LOCATIONS

Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road. Brye, 10500 Xavier Ave. S. Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd. Kelly, 185 E. 102nd St. Moir, 104th and Morgan Ave. S. Normandale Lake Bandshell, 84th Street and Chalet Road.

Pond-Dakota, 401 E. 104th St.
Poplar Bridge, 4600 W. 85th St.
Smith, 8155 Park Ave.
Valley View, 9000 Portland Ave. S.

June			
12	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Minnesota Zoomobile	Moir
19	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Mike Monson, Juggler	Kelly
20	7 p.m.	John Phillip Sousa Band Marches	Bandshell
22	7 p.m.	Stan Bann Big Band	Bandshell
26	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Alpha Bits	Poplar Bridge
27	7 p.m.	Terramara	Bandshell
28	11:30 a.m.	Paul Holland and Moses Oakland	Civic Plaza
29	7 p.m.	Medalist Concert Band	Bandshell
JULY			
2	1 - 4 p.m.	SANDCASTLES	Bush Lake

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JULY			
2	1 - 4 p.m.	SANDCASTLES	Bush Lake
3	5 - 10 p.m. 5 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m. 10 p.m.	SUMMER FETE Splatter Sisters Prophets of Soul Bloomington Symphony Orchestra Fireworks	Bandshell
6	7 p.m.	Paul Holland and the Supa Fuzz	Bandshell
10	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Kid Power with Rachel Kroog	Civic Plaza
11	7 p.m.	St. Louis Park Community Band	Bandshell
13	7 p.m.	Brio Brass Big Band	Bandshell
17	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Underwater Adventures	Brye
18	7 p.m.	Calhoun Isles Community Band	Bandshell
20	7 p.m.	Star of the North Concert Band	Bandshell
22	2 - 8 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5 p.m. 7 p.m.	FIESTA DE MÚSICA LATINA Ticket to Brasil Latin Sounds Orchestra Banda La Verdadera	Bandshell
24	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, DNR Fisheries Bluegill Bash	Smith
25	7 p.m.	Twin Cities' Sweet Adelines	Bandshell
27	7 p.m.	Lehto and Wright	Bandshell
31	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Schiffelly Puppets	Valley View

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31	ı 10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Schiffelly Puppets	Valley View				
Αι	August						
1	7 p.m.	Musical Avenues Revue Summer Spectrum	Bandshell				
3	6 p.m.	Blues and Bar-B-Q	Bandshell				
7	10:30 a.m.	Monday Mornings in the Park, Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam	Running				
8	7 p.m.	Bloomington Good Times Chorus	Bandshell				
10	7 p.m.	Axis Mundi					
13	2 - 8 p.m. 2 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL Jack Brass Band Red Wolfe's Ellington Echoes Memorial Band Barbary Coast JazzMN	Bandshell				
17	7 p.m.	Drive Time	Bandshell				

SEPTEMBER

16 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. River Rendezvous Fall History Festival Pond-Dakota

NORMANDALE LAKE PERFORMANCE SERIES

ADD PIZAZZ TO YOUR EVENINGS

SAVOR THE BEAUTIFUL SUMMER EVENINGS with musical performances on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, **7 p.m.**, at Normandale Lake Bandshell, 84th St. and Chalet Road. The many fine groups include *Big Walter Smith and the Groove Merchants*, the *John Phillip Sousa Band* and the *Medalist Concert Band*. Parking is available in the 84th St. and Chalet Road parking lots.

SUMMER FETE THREE CHEERS FOR THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE



To make a donation or order Summer Fete T-shirts and buttons, use the envelope in your water bill or call 952-563-8693.

BLUES AND BAR-B-Q

BIG-TIME ENTERTAINMENT AND GREAT FOOD

Come and get the blues with Big



Walter
Smith and
the Groove
Merchants.
Smith, a
legend in
the state
blues
scene, has
graced
Twin

Cities' stages with his 350-pound stature and velveteen voice for the past 35 years. Famous Dave's serves up some tasty barbeque.

RIVER RENDEZVOUS A STEP BACK IN TIME

RETURN TO THE 19TH CENTURY WITH historic reenactments of frontier life on **Saturday**, **September 16**, at Pond-Dakota Mission Park, 401 E. 104th St. Highlights include music, theater, games and demonstrations. For more information or to volunteer, call 952-563-8693.

